K-135 Quaker Meeting House Site, Lynch Meeting, Cecil Meeting 1696-1900 Lynch Private

The old brick meeting house disappeared in 1930, but a graveyard enclosed in a white rail fence remains. A plaque says "Site of Cecil Friends' Meeting House where our forebears found devine guidance and extended a lasting influence on the community 1696-1900."

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The site of Cecil Meeting House and the graveyard is enclosed by a white rail fence. The spot is well maintained with a grassy yard and shade trees. A plaque on the site says "Site of Cecil Friends' Meeting House where our forebears found devine guidance and exerted a lasting influence in the community. 1696 - 1900."

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Cecil (Lynch) Meeting was established prior to 1694 when its existence was reported to the Maryland General Meeting by George Warner and Stephen Coleman, who said that "a weekly meeting settled in Cecil County (later Kent) and a meeting house lately built." Early members included: James Barber, James Delly, Natthew Pope, John Beck, James Coursey, William Bailey, and Edward Beck. The land on which the structure was built belonged to Daniel Lamb (see report of Quaker Estate, 1696, K-230) The Meeting continued to exist throughout the 19th century although its membership continually declined. The meeting was laid down in 1900 and the Meeting House taken down by Howard Turner in 1930. In 1952 the property was given to Third Haven Monthly Meeting in Easton and the records transferred to the Friends Historical Library in Swarthmore.

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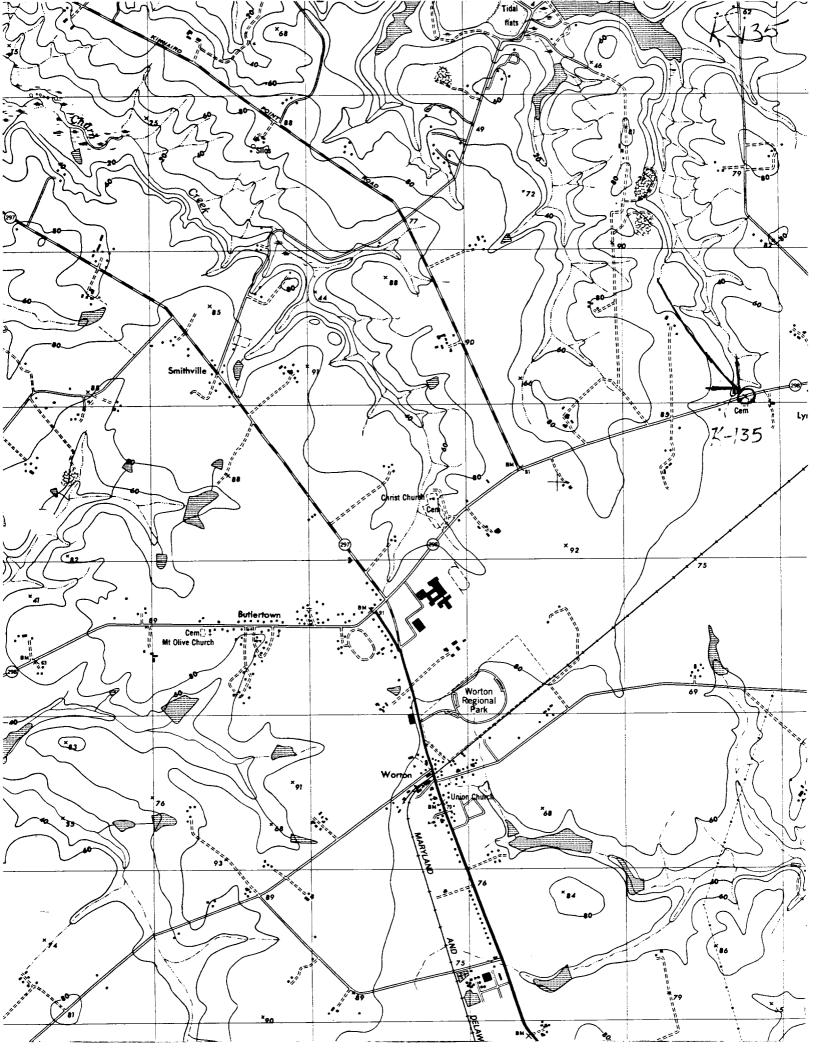
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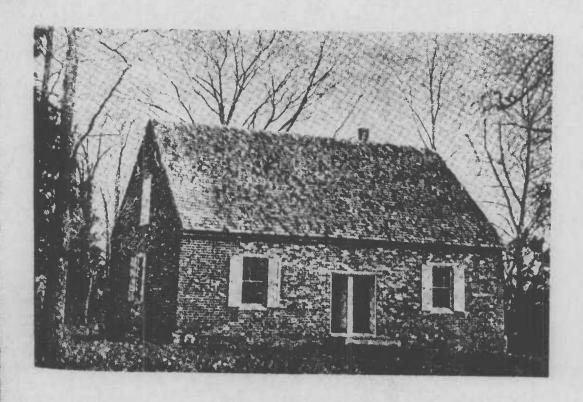
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Old Cecil Meeting House

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